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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE TO MARINERS,

No. 311.

CHINA SEA.

SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

TEMPORARY WITHDRAWAL OF THE

"TUNGSHA" LIGHT-VESSEL.

NOTICE is hereby given that on or about

the 5th December next, the Tungsha Light-vessel Tungsha will be removed from her Station for repairs, and that she will be replaced by the Light-vessel Wuchow.

The Wuchow will show a fixed white

Light, which should be visible in clear weather

at a distance of 11 nautical miles, and a small

white Light will be exhibited from the fore

stay at a height of 6 fms above the rail, to show

the direction in which the vessel is heading.

Her hull painted red, with the word "Wuchow"

written in white on each side, and she has

three masts, each carrying a black bell.

Draughts will be sounded at intervals of 10 seconds.

The Tungsha will return to her Station as

soon as her repairs have been completed.

By Order of the Inspector General of

Customs,

A. M. BISBEE.

Coast Inspector.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Chief Inspector's Office,

Shanghai, 21st November, 1887.

RICHARD GIBSON, DECEASED.

PURSUANT to an Order of the Supreme

Court of Hongkong made on the 11th day

of November, 1887, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that all Persons having CLAIMS against the

Estate of RICHARD GIBSON, late of Alles-

dale, Westwood Park, in the County of Southam-

pton, Master Mariner, Deceased, (who died at

Allendale aforesaid on the 14th day of October,

1883, and Letters of Administration issued to

Will and Effects) deceased on the 11th day of Novem-

ber, 1887, granted by the Supreme Court of

Hongkong in its Probate Jurisdiction to Vic-

tor HOBART DEACON, are hereby required

to send in writing particulars of their Claims to

the undersigned, Solicitors for the Ad-

ministrator, on or before the 11th February,

1888, after which time the Administrator

will proceed to distribute the Assets of the

Deceased among the Persons entitled thereto

and regard only to the Claims of which he

shall have had notice.

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1887.

WOTTON DE DEACON,

Solicitors for the Administrator,

35, Queen's Road,

Hongkong.

2301]

A GERMAN LADY, TEACHING MUSIC,

A GERMAN AND FRENCH has a few hours

disengaged.

Recommendations can be given.

FRAULEIN SCHEM.

Copy of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1887.

1899

EATING'S COUGH LOZENGES.

Cough, Asthma, Bronchitis, Difficulty

of Breathing, specifically cured by Keating's

Cough Lozenges, recommended by the Medical Faculty.

No other remedy is half so effective. One Lozenge alone gives relief.

They contain no Opium, Morphine, nor any

violent drug, and may be taken by the most

Sensitive. One or two at bedtime, and rest when troubled by the throat. Sold by all Chemists in small Tins.

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THE GREATEST BLESSING.

Of life is a perfect state of Health. To secure this

make use of Lamplough's PRACTIC SALINE.

It strikes at the root of disease, improving Digestion

by clearing away Impurities, and

Promoting the Blood, eradicating poisons, and

relieving humours. See large Alrt.

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STEAMSHIP "AVA".

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, AND

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"AVA".

Captain Vimont, will leave for the above Ports

TUE-DAY, the 29th inst., at SEVEN P.M.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1887.

2298

CONSIGNEES of Cables from London and

Havas, Ex S. S. "MANCHE", in con-

nection with the Steamer, are hereby in-

formed that their Goods, with the exception

of Optical Treasure, and Valuables, are being

loaded and stored at their risks at the Com-

pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be

obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless

intimation is received from the Consignees

before 10 A.M. TO SWATOW (SAKEDAY),

requesting it to be landed here.

Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR-

DAY, the 3rd Dec., at NOON, will be subject

to rent and landing charges at One Cent per

package per diem.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX:

Agent.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1887.

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NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE, AND

YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"AIRLIE."

Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above

Ports, on MONDAY, the 28th instant, at

FOUR P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1887.

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FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

"KONG BENG."

Captain F. W. Phillips, will be despatched for

the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 29th instant,

at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

YUEN FAT HONG,

Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1887.

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THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED.

THE Company's Steamship

"KAI-SOW."

W. S. Thomas, Commander, will be despatched

as above on or about the 10th December.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1887.

2295

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"AVA."

Captain Vimont, will leave for the above Ports

TUE-DAY, the 29th inst., at SEVEN P.M.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1887.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC LINE.

TAKE CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO

JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED

STATES, AND EUROPE,

VIA

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

AND OTHER CONNECTING

RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship

"PARTHIA."

will leave for the above place about 24 hours

after her arrival with the English Mail.

E. L. WOODIN,

Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1887.

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"GLENLINE."

Captain Donaldson, will be despatched as above

on or about the 12th December.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation

for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and

Steward.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1887.

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"GLEN LINE" OF STEAM PACKETS

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamer

"GLENSHIELD."</

INTINATIONS.

DINNEFORD'S FLUID MAGNESIA.
The best Remedy for Acidity of the Stomach.DINNEFORD'S FLUID MAGNESIA.
For Heartburn and Indigestion.DINNEFORD'S FLUID MAGNESIA.
The best Remedy for Acidosis of the Stomach.
London, and of Druggists and Storeskeepers throughout the United Kingdom.

N.B.—Ask for DINNEFORD'S MAGNESIA.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

ARE NOW SHEWING

NEW SEASONS'S

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR CARDS

INCLUDING SOME

CHROMOS OF SWISS AND HOME

SCENE RY,

SUITABLE FOR FRAMING.

CHRISTMAS CONFECTIONERY
WILL BE OPENED OUT IN A FEW DAYS.A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.,
HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Hongkong, 15th September 1887.

said in Finance Committee." What can be the motive for this? Aware as we are of the high character of our officials, we know it is not corruption. Only one other explanation occurs to us, and that is that it is due to a timid shrinking from criticism. But whatever confidence may be felt in the integrity of our officials it would be unreasonable to expect that the same confidence should be felt in their wisdom, for "to err is human," as we learnt in childhood, and the whole experience of life confirms the lesson. The members of the Finance Committee are but, human, and are therefore liable to err, but would be less liable to do so if they were subject to the healthy breeze of public criticism, which would blow away all official cobwebs from their brains. The same question has long ago been fought out and decided in the High Court of Parliament. Cannot the Legislative Council of Hongkong make up its mind to follow so illustrious an example? If it's a *que le premier paix qui coûte*, and that is taken the members will discover that really after all there was nothing that was worth the trouble of concealing.

It is to be feared that the abolition of the use of torture officially in the Central Kingdom is a reform still in the distant future. When a criminal, a notorious robber only, is stoned to death in a cage in Shanghai, before the public gaze, and meets more derision than pity, it is plain that the time for the recognition of China as a civilised Power is not yet. Curiously enough the Shanghai native papers, instead of denouncing the barbarity of the punishment, seem rather to applaud the action of the District Magistrate, judging from some remarks translated from their columns by our Shanghai morning contemporary. The *Hao-pao*, referring to the miserable wretch, says he was put into the cage on the 18th inst. inside the outer gate of the District Magistrate's yamen, and seemed in good spirits, joking with the bystanders, who "are all full of admiration for the Magistrate's firm and intelligent administration of justice," which is "calculated" (says the *Shen-pao*) "to greatly rejoice the heart of man." It to witness the agonies of a starving man can rejoice the heart of any human being it only goes to show how thin is the veneer which hides the savage. But we must not judge too harshly. The Chinese are accustomed from their earliest years to regard suffering with callous hearts; they become familiar with misery in all its forms; they live in a land where human life is cheap. They also suffer greatly at times from the robbers and freebooters who in many districts plunder and kill without mercy. These outlaws are, in the opinion of the law-abiding population, entitled to no mercy and no consideration. They are ruffians who should be hunted down and exterminated; Ishmaelites whose hand is against every man and every man's hand against them. The relentless severity with which these banditti are treated is illustrated by the experience of a foreigner travelling in the interior of Kwangtung. Some officials who had been calling on his party were in a state of great satisfaction in consequence of having caught some noted criminals, whom they said had bound in cotton wool soaked in oil and then set on fire. The punishment, they said, had had a most salutary effect in striking terror into the robber bands, and they hoped the district would enjoy peace from their depredations for a time, at least while the memory of this fearful example lasted. The law in China is often evaded that terrible examples and sanguinary punishments are resorted to for offences that in foreign countries would only entail a term of imprisonment. Yet the dread of despatchation does not deter from crime in China, because the chances of the criminal escaping arrest are great. When punishment follows surely and quickly on the heels of crime it is far more deterrent than torture and death when the latter are only possible contingencies. This is a fact, however, the Chinese will slow to believe, and slower still to test by practice. The Draconian code of China is considered by the mandarins most suitable for Chinese, and they regard with equal wonder the care and trouble expended on criminals in European countries. One of them on visiting Victoria Gaol some years ago expressed himself to the effect that it was not surprising criminals should haunt Hongkong when they were so sumptuously lodged and fed at the expense of the public. The Japanese have abolished torture, and the ordinary punishments in use in Western prisons suffice to keep down crime in Japan, aided by a very effective Police system. In China where there is no regular Police, and corruption reigns in every yamen, it is not wonderful that crime is rampant, or that when it has to be grappled with the prisoners finds rude and savage justice meted out to him.

The delivery of the French mail was begun at 4.30 yesterday afternoon.

The French corvette *Prinses Albert* returned to Shanghai on the 19th inst. from her cruise in the Yangtze.

The Chinese Squadron of new men-of-war under Admiral Liang-tang left Singapore on the 17th inst. for this port.

The Canadian Pacific steamer *Parthia*, with the next Canadian mail, left Vancouver on the 9th inst. for Yokohama, and this port.

The Agents (Messrs. Molloy & Co.) informed us that the Norddeutsche Lloyd steamer *Harmonie*, with the next onward German mail, left Singapore for this port yesterday.

Muslim lot-holders are reminded of the meeting called for this afternoon at the City Hall to discuss the Government's reply to their representations and demands on their action to be taken by the Government; that objection finds its expression through the unofficial members in Finance Committee, but the Government is able to bring forward such good reasons for the vote as to completely override the objections, and the vote is passed unanimously. Have the taxpayers not a good claim to know how the objections have been met, and, in the absence of any explanation, may they not be justified in coming to the conclusion that their representatives have betrayed their trust? But what happens? The Finance Committee presents its report consisting of the bold statement that "after explanations by the Colonial Secretary (or as the case may be) the vote is agreed to." Of course it is open to any member to ask that the explanations may be repeated in Council, but the principle has never yet been adopted openly and avowedly in any legislative assembly of making speeches intended expressly for the reporters and which can have no possible interest for the members themselves, who have heard them delivered once already. Again, if there is no objection to a repetition of what has transpired in Finance Committee being demanded in the Legislative Council what possible objection can there be to allowing the public to follow the proceedings in Finance Committee in the first instance? As the Governor says, after all the public pay the taxes. But when the public have asked for a little light to be thrown on the spending of the taxes, the Government hitherto have in effect replied—"Oh! no; you really must excuse us; we don't think of letting you know what is

The French gunboat *Comte*, Commander Martel, left here yesterday for Rotho.

The Daily News says that at Hukou city near Ningbo there has been rioting by the famished people, who forced their way into the Examination Hall and violently demanded relief.

The Ocean Steamship Company's steamer *Prism*, which arrived here yesterday from Liverpool and San Francisco, is awaiting arrival here, having three cases of small-pox among her passengers from the latter place.

The *Illustrated London News* of the 22nd ult. has an engraving from a photograph by Messrs. Symonds, of Liverpool, of H. M. S. *Wasp*, whose mysterious disappearance on the voyage from Singapore to this port has not yet been accounted for.

H. E. Park Chung Yik, Korean Minister to the United States, and his suite, arrived here yesterday by the German mail steamer *General Weller*. His Excellency called on the Governor in the afternoon, accompanied by Prince Ming Yik and Mr. W. M. B. Arthur.

Mr. A. R. Colquhoun will leave England on the 21st prox. for Bombay, on his return to Burma, when he will assume his new post on the Burma-Chinese Frontier Commission.

Mr. Laugesen has returned to France after his visit to French Indo-China. It is expected he will make a tour of his convictions. He has so far announced that he does not agree with the policy of M. Billoux, the Governor of Tonquin.

Mr. James H. Hart, Commissioner of Customs, China, brother of the Inspector-General of Chinese Maritime Customs, has arrived in London on completion of his work on the Burma-Tonquin frontier. The delegation has occupied a portion of nearly two years, and was completed in June last.

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Aarin, the exhaustion caused by twenty years of indigo plantations, and the fall of the old industries of the provinces; mining, silk rearing, manufacture, &c., with which increased population in Ssu-chuan and other provinces have failed to compete in the adoption of poppy culture as the great industry of the plateau. Yenan and Kwei show now pig for the whole of their foreign imports in opium, the merchant's of Nanking and Hongkong having often to wait for their money until the Canton and Kwang-tung provinces have paid for the Yenan and Kwei-chou opium crop. Yenan-Fei is a port of the opium trade of Eastern Yenan, and the tea and Canton goods that are sent in vessels.

Exports from Yenan-Fei are opium, peach tea, drugs, and copper, and imports are cotton, tobacco, and foreign goods.

COTTON INDUSTRY IN JAPAN.

Writing on the above subject, U.S. Consul Jeudigneau, His Report—The machinery used in the cotton-mills of Japan is like the cotton fabrics which are purchased from Great Britain. However, the Germans are now fast growing in popularity with the Japanese. In fact, they are already the favored race, a very thing in Japan is becoming Germanized. Contracts for pub buildings are almost all for Germans. Army and navy dress uniforms, train uniforms, station, and so on, many of them reduced and increased in value. All this may be owing to the fact that the new form of government for Japan, which is to go into operation in 1889, will be modelled after the form of the German Government, and the Japanese Parliament to resemble it. It will be like the German system. This will lead the Japanese people with the habits and customs of the German people may be the cause of their special favoritism. But whatever the cause may be, I do not feel any alarm for the business safety of the English-speaking race.

The Government of Japan, like other Governments, will fill its orders in the best markets, and the United States can offer advantages as favourable as any other country. The Japanese are engaged in Japan for railroad materials and machinery of almost every description for army and navy wants. New lines of railroads are at present being projected and will annually be on the increase.

The army and navy are being reorganized and improved arms of every description introduced. Though the Japanese Government does regard the railroads, though it is a great public and private enterprise, as second to none, and with regard to this there is no reason why our engineers, laborers, and manufacturers should supply Japan in a larger degree, with all her needed materials.

If they wish to take at its full the tide of Japanese prosperity, they should be on the spot. Their genius, talents, and energy, illustrated by the grandest results, have only to be earnestly directed towards this part of the world to be attended with like success.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. steamer Aya, with the French mail, bringing dates from London to the 21st ult., arrived here yesterday afternoon. The following telegrams are taken from Ceylon and Indian papers:

ITALY AND ABBYSSINIA.

ROMA, 8th November.

Information has been received that General San Martino, accompanied by his staff, has arrived at Massawa.

ADEN, 8th November.

News has been received here that the event attached to the expedition to the Negus under Mr. Portal deserte the caravan, which had to return to Monkalla after a suffer from a march of 50 miles without water. After a hard day, Portal made another start for the capital, and with vigour, so that he is now on his way.

It is the desire of the Emperor of Italy that England should mediate with Italy, that diplomatic intervention by the English Government is impossible until representation has been given to Italy's honour by the cession of the territory in dispute without being necessary to have recourse to hostilities.

NUMBER BY MOONLIGHTS.

LONDON, 9th November.

A party of moonlighters shot dead a farmer named Quigley in Turler. This atrocious act was committed in the presence of the unfortunate victim's family.

THE MEETING OF THE UNEMPLOYED PROCLAIMED.

LONDON, 9th November.

Sir C. Warren has, with the concurrence of Mr. Matthews, Home Secretary, proclaimed the meetings of the unemployed. There will therefore be no longer no more demonstrations in Traitor's Square.

SENTENCE OF ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, 10th November.

Mr. Lake Harber, Member for South Leicestershire, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour, for inciting the people to behave in a disorderly manner while some evictions were being carried out by the police.

COMMERCIAL LISTINGS.

LONDON, 25th November.

EXCHANGE.—Telegraphic Transfer 3.11
Bank Bills, on demand 3.12
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3.12
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3.22
Documentary Bills, of 1 month's sight 3.22

ON PARIS.—Bank Bills, on demand 3.93
Credits, at 4 months' sight 4.03

ON NEW YORK.—Bank Bills, on demand 76
Credits, 60 days' sight 774

ON BOMBAY.—Bank Bills, on demand 2.23
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 2.23

ON CALCUTTA.—Telegraphic Transfer 2.23
Bank, on demand 2.23

ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, at sight 1.72
Private, 30 days' sight 73

SHARES.

Quotations are:

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—155 per share, premium, sales.

Union Fire Society of Canton, Limited—\$74 per share, ex div.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$31 per share, sellers.

Strait Marine Insurance Company, Limited—\$30 nom.

Strait Fire Insurance Company, Limited—\$18 nom.

Canton Insurance Office, Limited—\$75 per share.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$35 per share, sellers.

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China and Manilla Steamship Company, Limited—\$30 per cent. discount, nominal.

Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—\$48 per share.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$125 per share.

Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—\$15 per share.

China Sun Refining Company, Limited—\$145 per share.

Luson Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$35 per share, nominal.

Hongkong and China Company's Shares—\$55 per share, callers.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$10 per share.

Pearl Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$10 per share.

Panjin and Sungshui Dang Samson Mining Company, Limited—\$16 per share, sales.

Perak Sugar Cultivation Company—Tls. 18 per share, Rose Manufacturing Company, Li-
mited—\$4 per share.

Hongkong and Macao Glass Manufacturing Co., Limited—10 per cent. discount, nom.

A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—65 per cent. premium.

Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited—15 per cent. prem.

Singapore Insurance Company, Limited—\$18 per share.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—7½ per cent. premium, nom.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—\$4 per cent. premium, nom.

Chinese Imperial Loan, 1886 E—9 per cent. premium, nom.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE:

(From Meteorological Bureau's Register)	
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HERR PAULUS: HIS RISE, HIS GREATNESS, AND HIS FALL.

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BOOK THE SECOND.

CHAPTER I.

IN THE STUDIO.

Two girls were talking together in a studio. It was not a dignified studio, such as one may visit in John's, Jervis's, or in St. John's Wood or Regent's Street. There were no pieces of tapestry, no bits of armament, no medieval weapons, no galleries and stairs of carved wood; not at all; it was a simple room built out at the side of the house; not originally intended for a studio, but yet serving very well as an old-fashioned panelled brick house, still surrounded by a bit of its old garden, which had been extensive, and could still be seen at the end of it, moss and lichen covered, crowded with wall-flowers. The studio served at the same time for a keeping-room. But it was a studio first.

It was an easel at which one of the girls was standing, but beside it were the usual implements of the artist—pallets, boxes of drawings and sketches, oil-paints, brushes, palette, and against the wall and by her stood a chair, and even stacked upon the floor. A lay figure, nothing so horribly human as a lay figure or so pitiful and ghostly in its silence and the horror of its helplessness—stood in a corner, its head bent over its arms as if in prayer, while its hands were clasped as if in a pupa; while its arms were folded behind its head.

The other girl, the girl with the great black liquid eyes and the pale cheek and full figure, is the daughter of Layla the Great-Hetty Medlock. She had been standing for a model, a kerchief tied about her head, and the early spring sunshine fell through the window and painted her face through the crimson silk, and made her cheek glow and her hair stand up. She was not, for Neanderthal, I believe, or perhaps it was a Bohemian, or an Irish peasant, or indeed an Andalusian or a Catalonian. But, in reality, the picture came out a very fine likeness of Hetty, and a very beautiful portrait it was, though the painting had faults of colour. The carnations, some what wretched, the light, some what—

"It is like Paul," said Hetty. "It is wonderful!"

CHAPTER II.

IN THE OTHER ROOM.

A house is a theatre with many stages, on which many plays may be going on at the same time, with no "front," unless M. le Double Bouche takes out a side of each room. Thus, while two girls full of their future talked in the studio, two old people with little but past talk in the front parlor, which no longer pretended to be a drawing-room. Here Mr. Medlock sat in his chair, and a small part of the body of the woman, actress and Interpreter for the Intelligence. In this country, if a woman lives in a brick street and tells fortunes by cards, the police run her in, and the magistrate gives her two months, and her house is broken up, and her children are ruined for life, and she goes to the workhouse, and foretells misfortunes to the other outcasts who sit in the same room.

"It is like Paul," said Hetty. "It is wonderful!"

"You like it, really? Yes, I do think it is pretty good. How glad I am that I painted out the first hideous thing!"

"Yes. But it was like—"

"I know it was like—"

"It is like Paul," said Hetty.

"I have all become so much happier."

"Oh! You mean the German person who pretends—"

"Don't, Hetty! Oh! You don't know what he has done."

"Why, dear, is he only a—"

"No, Kitty, he is more far away than that. It is no common spiritualism. The meat of the things happens every day. He makes us speak of the furniture, and sometimes in the shape of aches and pains, and twists and tortures, before the chaplain finally puts on his surplice to do them honor by walking before him in a short procession. Which shows how determined we are to suffer no switch to live in the land. But if a woman lives in a respectable house, and calls herself a medium and the chosen confidante of the spirit who dwelt in the other world, she may do much the same without fear of police magistrates. Which shows that we know how to distinguish.

Spirits are well known to choose for their favorite resorts, places and chambers which appear little desirable to cultivated man. It is no business of ours. This room, for instance, was very shabby and humble. Yet to think of all that has gone on in this seance, since the Director offered me very kindly, as I thought, as many shares in the Company—"

"It is like Paul."

"And he teaches Lady Augusta the most wonderful things, and he talks to Cisely and to me as nobody. I am sure, ever talked before."

"Oh, but Hetty—"

"He is not a whole person, with airs and pretences; but just a young boy, whose paper and paint had not been round for many years, was redeemed by the pretty things he had, from the look of standing on the mantel shelf. And there everywhere such a heavenly litter, as proved that the occupant could never have belonged to a large family of girls all living in the same room, and therefore taught, as girls in a large family must be taught, that real religion is always proved by tidiness. The occupant was always glib, apart from the evidence of the young boy, but there were a few evil lay on the table, and there was an atmosphere in the room. She was also a girl, one could perceive, who read a good deal, for the sofa was piled with books, and there were hanging shelves also filled with books and magazines. Most of the books belonged to the dear, delightful, old school tribe of novels. The room, in fact, made a comfortable keeping room large enough to walk about in, full of plenty of things and to contain quite an ordinary sofa. It was very well for a studio, with a strong light in the proper proportion—but it had been built for a very different purpose. In the house adjoining, Mrs. Layla Medlock in the old days when she was more... illustrations—everybody can be bold, even the very historical scenes. These days are gone—this is the most perfect, because all old days are gone, with the exception of Layla's greatness. She then were the finest and newest of satin dresses and received the best of company. Her friends came all day long, they came in omnibuses, in cabs, in hansom, and in stately chariots. They had all kinds of titles to their names from plain Miss to Mrs., to Gracious. Duchesses, and even Sovereigns, they came by appointment and without, they were all dressed and became the drawing room was no longer enough—it had been formerly the front parlour—Lavinia had been a sofa at the side of the house for the reception of her friends, those in the flesh and those out of it. The former, who concealed as much of them as they could in furs, jackets, and coats, other things so as not to make the spirit jealous, were attracted to the house by Layla's appearance, with her bright, honest, and good looks, and her eyes full of the most lovely thoughts. Cisely could only believe in what he says. He has been sent by his friends to teach philosophy in the West."

"Why has he been sent?"

"I do not know."

"All the things you have told me about him are wonderful. So is conjuring. It is worth while, though it is made in a hat."

"You do not understand. Oh! we have been all our living close to the other world within reach of conversation, but we have never been beside the spirit界, the dead, the soul, the spirit world, but every day, we have been in contact with the spirits for the welfare of the human race. Come, my dear, if he would only distract one single drop."

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"What does he do with his powers? Why does he come here? If a man really had such powers he would employ them, surely, to make some fresh discovery for the welfare of the human race. Come, my dear, if he would only distract one single drop."

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